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Thesaurus

Main Entry: ^{2}cou·ple
Pronunciation: 'k&-p&l
Function: *verb*
Inflected Form(s): **cou·pled**; **cou·pling** /-p(&-)li[ng]/
Date: 13th century
transitive senses
1 a : <u>to connect</u> for consideration together **b :** <u>to join</u> for combined effect
2 a : to fasten together : <u>LINK</u> **b :** to bring (two electric circuits) into such close proximity as to permit mutual influence
3 : to join in marriage or sexual union
intransitive senses
1 : to unite in sexual union
2 : <u>JOIN</u>
3 : to unite chemically

Dictionary Pronunciation Key

\&\ as **a** and **u** in abut
\[^&]\ as **e** in kitten
\&r\ as **ur** and **er** in further
\a\ as **a** in ash
\A\ as **a** in ace
\ä\ as **o** in mop
\au\ as **ou** in out
\ch\ as **ch** in chin

\e\ as **e** in bet
\E\ as **ea** in easy
\g\ as **g** in go
\i\ as **i** in hit
\I\ as **i** in ice
\j\ as **j** in job
\[ng]\ as **ng** in sing
\O\ as **o** in go

\o\ as **aw** in law
\oi\ as **oy** in boy
\th\ as **th** in thin
\[th_]\ as **th** in the
\ü\ as **oo** in loot
\u\ as **oo** in foot
\y\ as **y** in yet
\zh\ as **si** in vision